

Attachment B

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics  
ATTENTION : Chief, Procurement Division  
SUBJECT : Typewriter Procurement

25X1A2g 1. In the course of examining equipment and material used in connection with [REDACTED] tests were conducted by the Technical Services Division to determine typewriter requirements for producing the best photographic results. These tests helped establish the advantage of two features which we request be made a standard for future procurement of electric typewriters for field use. These features are Pica type and paper carbon ribbon feeds.

2. Justification for Pica Type:

The TSD tests show that Elite type should be avoided but that Pica type is satisfactory. Although the tests show that there are types superior to Pica for our purposes, such types are not in [REDACTED]

3. Justification for Carbon Ribbons:

a. Carbon ribbons provide consistently good quality print for photographic purposes. (The TSD tests did not compare carbon ribbon with cloth ribbon results but they did establish that in most cases the first and second carbon copies gave better results than the original (cloth ribbon copy).

b. Under controlled conditions, cloth ribbons can give as good results as carbon ribbons. In actual use, we cannot assure these controlled conditions and therefore will obtain better overall results with the carbon ribbon, e.g.,

(1) The typist's failure to change a worn ribbon is no longer a factor; and

(2) Type faces do not require cleaning as frequently.

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